# Wighita Police Department

Wichita Traffic Accidents	2000	1999	1998
Non-Injury Accidents	4092	3930	4178
Injury Accidents	3126	3282	3256
Traffic Fatalities	10	25	34
Alcohol Related Fatalities	3	8	14
DUI Arrests	2413	2491	2112

Over the past five years Wichita has averaged 4165 non-injury accidents, 3294 injury accidents, 21 fatality accidents, with 7 alcohol involved fatality accidents. Most accidents are preventable!

#### **Leading Causes of Accidents in Wichita, 2001 Year to Date**

- ✓ **Inattentive Driving** (Don't talk on cell phones, eat, read,...)
- ✓ Fail to Yield Right of Way (Be patient, attentive and safe)
- ✓ **Run Red Light** (Be Patient slow when approaching lights)
- ✓ Follow too Closely (Maintain a safe stopping distance)
- ✓ **DUI Liquor** (Don't Drink and Drive, be attentive for DUI's)
- ✓ **Unsafe Speed** (Drive the posted limit, or less in poor conditions)
- ✓ Unsafe Lane Change (Signal, look, and look again.)
- ✓ **Improper Turn** (Begin turns from &complete turns in the proper lane)
- Careless Driving (Don't be careless, be attentive for unsafe drivers)
- **✓ Run Stop Sign** (Come to a complete stop, be attentive and safe)

### Kansas Seat Belt Usage 2000

Last year, only 60% of Kansans buckled up. This is **11% below** the national average.

Only 52% of Kansas children between ages 4 & 14 buckled up in 2000.

(KDOT Safety Belt Education Office 800-416-2522, www.ink.org/public/kdot)

### **Sedgwick County Fatality Accidents 2000**

Last Year **73**% of the 33 people killed in on Sedgwick County streets and roads were <u>not</u> wearing seat belts.

Over the past 10 years, **80**% of the 443 people killed on Sedgwick County streets and roads were <u>not</u> wearing seat belts.

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### it's the law!

(KSA 8-1344)
Child Passenger Safety Act is a primary law.

### Kansas Clicks Safe not sorry

- ✓ It requires that all children under age four must be in a federally approved child safety seat.
- ✓ Children age four but under 14 must be protected by a safety belt.
- $\checkmark$  This law applies to all vehicles designed for carrying 10 passengers or less.
- Persons under the age of 14 are prohibited from riding in any portion of the vehicle not intended for passengers; this includes riding in the back of pickup trucks.

(KSA 8-2501)
Safety Belt Use Act
is a secondary law.

- Drivers are cited for this violation only in combination with a separate moving violation.
- ✓ This law applies to vehicles designated for carrying 10 passengers or less.
- ✓ This includes pickup trucks registered for 12,000 lbs. and farm trucks registered for 16,000 lbs.

#### **City of Wichita Traffic Fines** (11/01)

To verify Fine information, check  $\underline{www.wichitagov.org}$  or call 268-4611

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26	Child Restraint 0- 4 y.o.a.	\$ 58.00
XXXXXXX	Child Restraint 4 – 14 y.o.a.	\$ 58.00
	Seat Belt Required 14 and over	\$10.00
26	Run Stop Sign	\$ 63.00
26	Careless Driving	\$ 93.00
26	Improper Turn	\$ 63.00
26	Unsafe Lane Change	\$ 63.00
36	Unsafe Speed	\$ 53.00 - \$153.00
36	Follow too Closely	\$ 73.00
***	Run Red Light	\$138.00
26	Fail to Yield Right of Way	\$ 73.00
	Inattentive Driving	\$ 93.00

Being safe and staying healthy - PRICELESS!



